

CITY OF NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2018-087
PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2018 TEEN READ MONTH

WHEREAS, the ability to read and process information across multiple formats is an essential skill required to succeed in our information literate society; and,

WHEREAS, approximately 40% of high school graduates lack the literacy skills that employers seek; and,

WHEREAS, teens have many activities vying for their leisure time; and the most effective way to improve literacy skills is to read regularly; and,

WHEREAS, reading for fun is a great way to make reading a habit for life; and,

WHEREAS, a number of active literacy campaigns currently exist, but few focus on teens; and,

WHEREAS, libraries are at the heart of the community, college campuses and schools; and teenagers make up 6% of Northfield Public Library's cardholder total; and,

WHEREAS, libraries are a safe space for teens to go, and they provide access to reading materials and a variety of helpful resources; and,

WHEREAS, libraries, librarians, library workers, and supporters across America are celebrating Teen Read Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THAT:

1. Mayor and City Council proclaim October 1-31, 2018, Teen Read Month and encourage teens to visit the library to find reading materials and to take advantage of all of the wonderful resources available at the library.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Northfield on this 18th day of September 2018.

ATTEST

City Clerk

Mayor

VOTE: ___ POWNELL ___ COLBY ___ DELONG ___ NAKASIAN
 ___ NESS ___ PETERSON WHITE ___ ZWEIFEL